Amendment to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0011] with the following amended paragraph.

[0011] The invention achieves its objects and other inherent objects and advantages thereof by providing a hub cap vent plug eomprising including an axially outer end face portion, side wall portions adapted to meet in fluid tight relation with an opening in an associated hub cap, a small diameter opening terminating at one end in access to the interior of the hub cavity and at its other end in a thin web of material from which the plug is made. The vent plug also includes a valve cover having at least one transverse opening therein, with the valve cover being spaced slightly apart from the web, and a normally closed valve eomprising such as a a slit in the web to allow pressure and vacuum to vent through the valve. and to resist penetration Penetration of pressurized water through the valve is resisted by deflecting any pressurized water aimed directly at the vent plug.